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Under the Tunney Act, I wish to comment on the proposed Microsoft settlement.

I have worked with Microsoft software for over 10 years and I have a problem with the settlement because it does not prohibit Microsoft from inserting intentional incompatibilities in their software to eliminate competition.

This one tactic, which has been technically documented, has probably done the most damage to progress in software development resulting in buggy programs, which I am sure you are aware of in your daily work environment.

Sincerely,

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